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TOWNE ALKE

Just for Fun By RAS BERRY

The bus mgr. he got a letter the other day which was addressed to him at Torrance and when he got the letter they was a rubber stamp message on it that says the letter was mislaid to Salt Lake City Utah and Hank he says well you walking down the street with three or four women.

And that recalls when I was to Salt Lake City on the way to Cleveland to the Rotary convention with Sam Levy and we was riding on a sight seeing bus with a lot of folks and somebody asks the guide is every body here a Mormon and the guide says no they ain't all Mormons but here you are either a Mormon or a gentile and Sam says stop the bus I want to send a telegram to my poppa that I am a gentile.

I was talking a gentleman from Chile through the Columbia steel plant and Hank Lintott he was talking us through and Hank says to the Chilean have you got much steel down in Chile and the gentleman he says yes we grabbed the steacock from Bolivia.

Up to the Rotary club why this Chile gentleman he told the club how down in Chile if you get old you are gave a pension by the govt. and don't have to work no more and Harvey Guttenfelder he asks Buck Buxton how long did you live in Chile Buck.

And Buck says I never lived in Chile you got me mixed up with Geo. Neill.

And then Warren Johnston walks up and they all knowed they was mistaken.

Scarface Al Capone has been took to jail. In Chicago they didn't dust put him in jail and he slipped into Philadelphia at night thinking everybody would be in bed. They was one cop awake and he took Al in. He charged Al with carrying concealed weapons. Al says what would you expect me to carry, cream puffs?

The judge looked at Al and says one year. Al turned to his attorney and says this is a funny town even the judge cracks jokes.

The judge says yes you'll see the point in 365 days.

The judge thought Al's name was Capone, which is meat in Philadelphia, even if it's duck soup in Chi.

Al came into Philly as Scarface, went out as Scarface.

Chi boys are now going to New York by way of New Orleans.

That's down south but it's hotter in Philly than it is in the tropics.

The way to clean up Chi is to give all the boys a pass to Philly and tell them that's where the big-headed Quakers live.

Philly was started by Penn. Al Capone has joined the pen family. He's among friends and isn't saying much.

Every day is Sunday in Philadelphia. People stay to rest. Machines gun boys showing up there can stay for the rest of their lives.

Bill Thompson fought the king of England. Now he can fight the mayor of Philadelphia.

Al went to Philly to change things. He missed the most battles and won't catch one until 1930. That's a long time between Philadelphia porters. But Al's in a good berth—the best we can think of.

Rebekahs Will Elect on June 12

The second nomination of Trio Rebekah Lodge was held at the regular meeting in Odd Fellows Temple last night. Election of officers will take place Wednesday evening, June 12.

Torrance Youth Expires in East

Walter H. Carpenter, High School Grad Last Year, Dies in Virginia

Walter R. Carpenter, son of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Carpenter, 1729 Gramercy avenue, died last Saturday at the U. S. Navy hospital at Norfolk, Va. His parents have as yet received no details concerning his death.

Walter graduated from Torrance high school last June. Previously he had served four years in the Navy. Besides his parents he leaves two brothers, Paul of the Union Tool Company and Clarence, a student at Torrance High. The young lad was well known and popular in Torrance.

It is expected that the body will arrive in California Sunday and the funeral will be held Monday at 2 p. m. at the Kabot Undertaking parlors at Pasadena.

Bishop to Talk at Service Here

Special Memorial Day Program at M. E. Church Sunday

Bishop Charles Bayard Mitchell will deliver a sermon at the First Methodist Episcopal church here Sunday morning. The service will be dedicated to the significance of Memorial Day. Many members of the Legion post at the Legion auxiliary will attend the services.

Tom Bowker in Trip to the East

Tom Bowker, popular Legionnaire and his family are about to take off on a two months trip back to Maine and New York. Tom used to do his stuff around New England and is going to spread the gospel of Southern California far and wide along the rock bound coasts. In Torrance Tom is employed by the National Supply Company and when off duty there is usually busy with some Legion project. His services as a singer and entertainer are in constant demand by Legion posts throughout this part of the country. He's coming back.

School Notes

HIGH SCHOOL Winter class of '31 and the summer class of '30 will entertain the winter class of '29 and the summer class of '28 at the annual Junior-Senior banquet June 8.

Following the banquet there will be a dance, the music to be provided by an orchestra that has been engaged for the occasion.

Torrance High was honored Friday by a visit from Mr. Gleason, who has spent 18 years in Japan. Mr. Gleason who is a very interesting speaker, took as his topic "Can We Be Optimistic?"

He stated that the Japanese people call Americans "Foreign Pools" or "Foreign Devils." He also stated that we should treat our Oriental friends a little more kindly, and that the young people should be more interested in what is going on around them.

The World Friendship Club tendered the invitation to Mr. Gleason, and sponsored his visit to the school. At the close of the talk, Tosakiaki Suminaga sang "Mother of Mine."

The 1929 Torch, annual publication of Torrance High School, will be published June 8. Marjorie Yamamoto edited the annual and has worked diligently for many weeks to assemble and review the material handed in by members of the staff.

Miss Burnham supervised the organization and written work of the book. Some very attractive art work has been done for the annual by the art editor, Mary Hissman and her assistants, with clever suggestions and helpful advice of Miss Chase, art supervisor.

TO GIVE PLAY "Sunbonnets" is the title of a play being rehearsed by a cast of 11 Rebekahs.

The play will be presented sometime in June for the benefit of Trio Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Eva Kelly's Visit Recalls Sad Case of Murder

Mrs. Eva Kelly, night operator at the Lomita telephone exchange, will leave Sunday by rail for Central, New Mexico. With her brother Dr. D. H. Williams of Central, Mrs. Kelly will motor to Dallas and Houston, Texas, for a visit with relatives.

In Houston, Mrs. Kelly will be the guest of her step daughter, Mrs. J. H. Laing, whose tragic story many will recall reading in the magazine section of the Herald papers in June, 1925.

Briefly the story is this: In March, 1925, Mrs. Laing, Mr. Laing and their two sons, 4 and 2 years old, left their home and motored to Lufkin, Texas. Mr. Laing was an interior decorator and had accepted the contract to decorate the interior of a partly finished house at Lufkin. Arriving there late in the evening, they were unable to secure hotel accommodations, so decided to camp in the house on which Mr. Laing was to work. About 2 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Laing was awakened by the sounds of a struggle. She remembers being to see her husband. A blow on the head rendered her unconscious, and in the morning workmen found Laing dead, his wife unconscious and with a broken arm. Mrs. Laing did not regain consciousness until the following day. She could give no description of the murderers, but a 5-year-old boy stoutly maintains that the assassins were a negro and a white man. The authorities found no clue, and could discover no reason for the attack. The affair is as much a mystery now, as it was at the time of occurrence.

Smith & Davis Open Service Station Here

Torrance Men Complete Fine Structure on Redondo Boulevard

Another fine new service station doing business under the firm name of Smith & Davis will celebrate its opening Friday and Saturday this week at the corner of Redondo boulevard and Portola avenue.

C. W. Smith was formerly with the Texas Oil Company, producers of "Texaco" products, and Giles Davis was formerly with the Superior Oil company. Both men are well known locally. Mr. Smith has been a resident of Torrance for four years and Mr. Davis has lived in Torrance for the past six years. The new station will handle "Shell 407", "Texaco", and MacMillan gasolines and a wide variety of motor oils. They will also stock up their plan for the early future cars for many additional services for motorists and the installation of a complete super service equipment.

Valley Posts to Conduct Services

Services will be held Memorial Day at Roosevelt Memorial Park by the Inter-Valley Posts of the American Legion. Legionnaires to take part in the program will line up at 2:15 at the Vermont entrance of the Park.

Services will begin promptly at 2:30. Public invited.

LEGION NOTES

The next meeting of the Bert S. Crowland Post No. 179 will be held on Tuesday evening, May 28, at 8 p. m. Important.

On Sunday, May 26, the Post will attend Memorial services at the First Methodist church, corner of Mannel and El Prado avenues. Meet at the church at 10:45 a. m.

Memorial Day, Thursday, May 30, we will join in services at Roosevelt Memorial Park. Meet at Legion clubhouse at 1:45 p. m. sharp. We will go in a body to the park.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Connors, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kerber, Miss Margaret Gensler and Mr. Lynn Bertelsen attended the performance at the Chinese theatre Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lydia Neal visited with her sister in San Bernardino over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schults and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGuire and Mrs. Louise Drown of Glendale, spent Sunday at Lake Arrowhead.

Miss Margaret Gensler, who recently arrived from St. Joe, Missouri to spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Conner at the Glens Hotel, is now working in the office of Dr. R. Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Sargent and family plan to leave June 1 for a month's vacation in the east. They will motor east, and visit Niagara Falls, the Grand Canyon, and other sights of interest. They will also visit with relatives enroute. Mr. Sargent is an employe of the Debra Radio Co.

Torrance Knights Attend Convention

Carl J. Gramling, grand knight and Ted Wertz, past grand knight of Torrance Council No. 2445, returned last Thursday morning from the Knights of Columbus State convention which was held in Yosemite.

They report interesting sessions at which many resolutions for the welfare of the order were discussed and action taken.

The following state officers were elected: Robert A. McKenna, San Francisco, state deputy; Manuel S. Lopez Jr., Glendale, state secretary; William Schisel, Los Angeles, state treasurer; Ivan Marovich, San Francisco, state advocate; W. E. Fitzpatrick, San Luis Obispo, state warden.

Five Women, Two Children Are Hurt

Five women and two children riding in a car driven by Mrs. Mary Charanza of Los Angeles, were slightly injured when the car crashed head on into a tree by the side of the road on Hawthorne boulevard near Railroad avenue Sunday.

Mrs. Charanza stated that she was driving north on Hawthorne, and a car coming south attempted to pass a second car coming south and to avoid a head on collision, she drove into the tree.

The car was completely wrecked. Sergeant Stroh of Torrance rushed to the scene and took some of the occupants of the car to the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital, while others were taken by passing motorists.

The Voice of the People

AGAINST INCORPORATION Lomita, Calif., May 21, 1929 Residents and Property Owners in the District that is proposed to be incorporated:

There are many questions and answers in the corner of Redondo boulevard and Portola avenue. C. W. Smith was formerly with the Texas Oil Company, producers of "Texaco" products, and Giles Davis was formerly with the Superior Oil company. Both men are well known locally. Mr. Smith has been a resident of Torrance for four years and Mr. Davis has lived in Torrance for the past six years. The new station will handle "Shell 407", "Texaco", and MacMillan gasolines and a wide variety of motor oils. They will also stock up their plan for the early future cars for many additional services for motorists and the installation of a complete super service equipment.

Cabrillo Problem Acute

While Torrance officials were discussing the Cabrillo problem, the week officials of the county road department were checking petitions asking for the acquisition and improvement of Cabrillo and Eschelman avenues. This project would extend Cabrillo south to connect with the Long Beach-Redondo boulevard, making Cabrillo in Torrance part of a main north and south highway.

Carl L. Hyde, secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce consulted county officials last Friday and learned that if the petitions show a majority, the proceedings will be started with county aid promised.

The contemplated proceedings for extensions and improvement to make Cabrillo part of the main artery of traffic makes more acute than ever the problem of improving the P. E. right of way on Cabrillo, local officials believe.

Sunset Stages MOTOR COACH CO.

For Lomita, So. Lomita, San Pedro, Wilmington, Long Beach: HW 5:54 A. M.; HW 7:45, 11W :24, C 9:15; HW 10:29, 11:24 P. M. HW 12:24, 1:29, 3HW 2:24, 3:15, 4:19; 5:19, 11W 6:24, 7:24, 12:29, 9:14, 11:29, and 12:30 to Lomita only, except Sun.

Standard Makes at Lower Costs

Through a fortunate purchase, the C. Alexander & Company of 1311 Sartori avenue state that they are able to offer new all electric radio sets at a new price at less than half the regular price. "Out of respect to competitive dealers in this territory," said Mr. Alexander, "we are not advertising the name of these radio sets but we can assure the public that we can save anyone fifty to seventy-five dollars at a new radio set. This certainly should be conclusive proof that it is not necessary to go out of Torrance to get bargain prices. The prices offered on these standard all electric sets bring new meaning to the slogan that we can save anyone fifty to seventy-five dollars at a new radio set," continued Mr. Alexander—adv.

Special Memorial Day Services at Christian Church

A special Memorial Day service in memory of the boys who have "gone west", and in honor of those who are living, will be held at the First Christian church, Engracia at Arlington, next Sunday, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Lieut. W. E. Elder, chaplain of the U. S. S. Lexington (Pacific Division), will deliver the address. Lieut. Elder will be accompanied by the ship's orchestra, one of the finest musical organizations in the division. Lieut. Elder is the chaplain of Uncle Sam's greatest fighting ship. He is also a relative of the Rev. George G. Elder, pastor of the local Christian church.

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CHANGE IN OFFICE

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